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THE WEATHER.
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BUSY WOMEN WORKERS

Red Cross Committees Out Bright and Early This Morning Soliciting New Members in the Big Drive.

Earnest women started out in the city this morning in quest of new members in the big drive which will be made in Alexandria during the next week. No effort will be spared to secure the quota for Alexandria, which is three thousand and at the rate they are coming in every assurance is given that the entire number will be gotten.

One committee which visited the Potomac railway yards reports a total of 150 so far in that section. No greater work is being done by any organization in the world today than that which the Red Cross is doing. It is an honor to be enrolled as a member. If the committee should possibly overlook you, Mr. or Mrs. Reader, look them up, hand them your name and one dollar and you will be doing a most creditable act. And do it today. Don't wait. Remember that he gives doubly who gives quickly!

The following letter from the Potomac Division Headquarters of the American Red Cross has just been received by the Alexandria local chapter: Mrs. H. D. Kirk, supervisor Surgical Dressings, Alexandria Chapter,

Alexandria, Va.,

My Dear Mrs. Kirk:—It gives me pleasure to tell you that a most beautiful box of Surgical dressings has been received from your chapter at our warehouse and may I commend the splendid work it contained.

Thanking you for your co-operation, I am,

Very sincerely yours,
Helen G. Lamberton,
Superintendent of Surgical Dressings, Woman's Bureau, A. R. C.

The report of our local director of woman's work presented at the last executive committee meeting of the chapter showed that there had been shipped from Alexandria during the month of November the following articles: 177 surgical dressings, 408 hospital garments and supplies. There has been made also 244 knitted garments which had not yet been shipped.

The chapter workroom over Burke and Herbert's Bank is now an especially busy place making the hospital supplies which this chapter was asked to furnish for a special order for French and American hospitals. Alexandria's allottment is 100 French pillow cases, 100 American pillow cases, 50 bed spreads, 150 towels. The French pillowcases required were completed last week. Those wishing to do their bit in making these articles are invited to sew at the workroom between 10 and 4 o'clock on Wednesdays and Fridays.

LAWYERS TO AID.

Prominent Legal Advisers to Assist Registrants Called Before the Alexandria Draft Board.

The permanent legal advisory board, composed of Hon. Louis C Barley, chairman, and Gardner L. Boothe and Charles T. Jesse, met today and decided to commandeer the services of all lawyers of the city and county of Alexandria to assist the registrants in answering the "questionnaires" which the local board, under the instructions from the War Department, are now mailing to registrants, and which have to be returned within seven days.

All lawyers who have not yet qualified as associate members of the local advisory board are requested to appear at once before one of the above named members and take the oath.

All registrants are to feel at perfect liberty to apply for assistance to any member of said board, for which there can be no charge. Members of the board will be found at their respective offices in the city and county of Alexandria.

WANTED—An assistant bookkeeper. Young lady preferred. State experience, if any. Address in your own handwriting, Box 67 Gazette office. 297-6t.

All wagons, velocipedes, doll cabs, etc., are shown on the second floor at Elliott's. 300-2t.

FIRE AT DEL RAY TODAY

Overheated Furnace Pipe Starts Blaze in School Building—Flames Extinguished With Aid of Soldiers.

Much excitement was caused in the city this morning at nine o'clock by the report that the school building at Del Ray was on fire. It was later ascertained that it was not the large main building but a smaller one located on the north side and at the rear of the large brick building, used for third grade pupils.

Fortunately the janitor was near at hand, and with the aid of several soldiers from the St. Asaph camp near by, the flames were soon put out with buckets of water, practically all the damage being confined to the ceiling next to the roof.

About thirty boys and girls are accommodated in the building and are under the instruction of Miss Bessie Watts. There were only about nine present when the fire broke out as school had not yet opened for the morning session. The seats, books etc., were removed without particular damage being done them.

A telephone call was received asking to have the department sent there and mayor Fisher ordered it to proceed to the scene immediately, but a later telephone was received saying that the fire had been extinguished and that the department's services were not needed so it did not go.

BRITAIN HOLDS LEAD.

Admiral Von Tirpitz Still Hopes Submarines Will Win the War.

Amsterdam, Dec., 17.—The German newspapers contain lengthy accounts of the speech of Grand Admiral von Tirpitz before the Hamburg branch of the fatherland party, in which the admiral said:

"Up to the present in this war Great Britain has won, rather than lost. Peace based on the status quo ante or on renunciation, therefore, is out of the question for Germany."

With reference to the rumor that Germany would give up Zeebrugge and Ostend if the British evacuated Calais, Von Tirpitz said:

"The evacuation of Calais would never be equivalent to the loss of such first-class security. Moreover, the Channel tunnel will become a fact after the war. For real security, we should have, besides Flanders and Antwerp, Calais and Boulogne. The rumor in question is a screen behind which the question of Flanders might be permitted to disappear.

"The pretext that we cannot coerce Great Britain and America falls to the ground when we consider the growing scarcity of the cargo space of our ruthless arch-enemy. The time for final decision will come when real distress begins to take the place of merely threatening distress. That time will come. It is only a question of our keeping cool."

SHORTENING ITS LINE.

New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railway Invest at Ocean View to Shorten Barge Connection.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 17.—The New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railway Company has made a large investment in land at East Ocean View on the Chesapeake Bay. Five hundred acres of land have been purchased with a 3,000-foot deep water frontage, and while the officials have announced no definite plans as yet it is well-known that it is the purpose of the company to develop new terminal facilities in order to shorten its transfer line between this city and Cape Charles.

This is an improvement that the railway company has long had in view, and it will naturally reduce the length of the barge transfer line between Port Norfolk and Cape Charles

Death Notice.

Died. at 4:50 this morning, in the Alexandria hospital, Mrs Annie V Travers, wife of John J. Nugent Funeral notice will be published later. (Washington papers please copy). 300-1t.

Anti-Freeze for Radiators.

A large shipment of Anti-Freeze just received. It is guaranteed to prevent freezing of radiators.

Remschel Auto and Sales Co.,
117 north Fairfax St
298-3t.

Boys' and girls' gift books 10 cents to 35 cents each. Elliott's. 300-2t.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

Martha Washington Chapter, Order Eastern Star, will meet tomorrow evening.

Enoch Magruder Lowe died in Washington Saturday. He was a native of Virginia.

Lieut. F. Clinton Knight has arrived home from Camp McClellan at Anniston, Alabama, on a holiday furlough.

George Carroll, of Franconia, a colored man who has kept a stand in the city market for the past three years, died at his home this morning.

George T. Swain, formerly of this city, died at his home in Bowling Green, Caroline County, Va., Tuesday, December 11th, 1917. The deceased was a son of the late Stephen Swain.

Captain T. B. Cochran gave out the announcement this morning that Company C of Alexandria Home Guards will have to discontinue its drills on account of there being no heat or light in the armory on south Royal street.

The property advertised for sale in the Gazette for unpaid taxes, some thirteen pieces in all, was sold by tax collector P. F. Gorman at 10 o'clock this morning. It is reported to be the smallest number of delinquents in several years, the taxes amounting to only $229.93.

Rev. Thomas Semmes of Richmond, who for the past two weeks has been conducting a preaching mission in St. Paul's Episcopal church, under the auspices of the Laymen's League and Bible class of that church, closed his labors here yesterday. He gave an address yesterday morning before a joint meeting of the Bible class of Christ church, of which Judge Louis C. Barley is leader, and that of St. Paul's church of which Mr. Urban S. Lambert is leader, which was attended by upwards of one hundred men. At eleven o'clock he preached at St. Paul's church, also held a children's meeting there in the afternoon and in the evening spoke there again, in which he summarized what had been done here in the past two weeks. Those who have had the opportunity of hearing Rev. Semmes during the services here pronounce his sermons as among the most powerful and learned ever delivered in Alexandria and that they made a profound impression upon all who listened to them. He will leave for his home in Richmond tomorrow.

TAX ON THEATER TICKETS.

Persons Buying Admission Warned to See That Ticket is Marked Paid.

Beginning Saturday, theatergoers should scan their admission tickets to make sure they bear evidence that the war tax of 10 per cent has been paid. This can be accomplished at the theater box office by stamping or writing on the ticket the words "war tax paid" or some similar phrase.

Internal Revenue Commissioner Roper announced that persons buying admission tickets to amusements would be expected to assist the government in enforcing the law by inspecting their tickets. The tax is 1 cent on each 10 cents admission or fraction of that amount.

Bridgeman Killed.

Portsmouth, Va., Dec. 17.—Charles O'Neil, a bridgeman employed in the local navy yard, was instantly killed Friday morning, when he fell from a scaffold surrounding a large tank on which he was working. He was working on the upper part of the tank, over sixty feet from the ground, when he was seen to lose his balance and fell off. He was rushed to the navy yard dispensary, but died before any aid could be rendered.

Mr. O'Neil, who was thirty-two years old, was a native of Catasauqua, Pa., having come here only two weeks ago to work in the local government plant.

Anti-Skid Chains.

A large shipment of Anti-Skid chains just received. Get yours now.

Remschel Auto Sales Co.,
117 north Fairfax street.
299-3t.

Alluminum ware at our usual low price. Elliott's. 300-2t.

Malcolm Padgett, son of William Padgett, was badly scalded Saturday while at work in a machine shop in Washington.

Richard Henry Campbell, sr., died at his home, Riverdale, Md., yesterday. The deceased was 73 years old. Interment will be in this city tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Grant, of Linden, announce the marriage of their daughter, Sybil, to Mr. William Frederick Hellmuth, of Alexandria. The ceremony took place on Monday, December 3, 1917, at Rockville, Md. They will reside in Washington.

The steamer Eric Ild, arrived in this city this afternoon from Boca Grande, Florida, with a cargo of fertilizer rock for the Alexandria Fertilizer and Chemical Company. Captain T. Christensen is in command. The steamer brought about 3,000 tons of rock.

Corporal James B. Patterson, of this city, who is stationed at Camp Lee, Va., in the Ordnance Department, has been promoted to the grade of ordnance sergeant. This is the first Alexandrian to have that honor conferred upon them as a man has to serve eight years in the regular army before he can reach that grade, the Gazette is informed.

Major Llewellyn Powell, of Camp Meade, Md., is home on a five-day furlough, recuperating from the effects of a little disagreement which he had with an army broncho a few days ago as to whether the Major should ride him or not. Major Powell frankly concedes that the broncho got the decision, as it was a case of "on again and off again," and the ground was very hard.

The Gazette is requested to announce that there is a sufficient quantity of bituminous coal for use in the city so that there is no necessity for anyone becoming unduly alarmed over the situation, although some difficulty is being experienced in making deliveries as fast as could be desired. It is said to be true that people are burning soft coal who have not been accustomed to before, on account of the scarcity of anthracite, but that it is not believed that there will be any suffering caused if consumers will try and get along with smaller supplies until deliveries can be gotten up to the normal again.

CAR SHORTAGE THE CAUSE.

National Coal Association Issues Statement on Situation.

Car shortage and congestion, augmented by unfavorable weather conditions, caused a loss of approximately 4,000,000 tons in the production of bituminous coal during the week just ended, according to a statement of the National Coal Association issued last night. Telegraphic reports to the association show that the mines were hit harder by the failure of the railroads to deliver enough cars for loading than in any other week of which the association has a record. This heavy loss of production follows a loss of 10,000,000 tons in production during November, solely because of the car shortage and slow car movement. The total loss in production of bituminous coal from November 1, because of inadequate car supply, is not less than 15,000,000 tons.

Mines in Ohio, where the shortage of coal has caused acute distress during the past week, were heavily handicapped by failure of the railroads to supply them with cars enough to permit them to run full time. The loss of production in one district alone approximated 200,000 tons.

The usual Wednesday night dance will be given at the Elks' Auditorium on Dec. 19. Lessons 7 to 8:30. General dancing 8:30 to 11:30. Admission 50 cents. Ladies free. 300-2t.

Norfolk Oysters, Hampton Bars and Potomac River oysters. J. Brill No. 2 King street.

We are open evenings. Elliott's, 604 King street. 300-2t.

A. G. Uhler, Jr., left last night for Little Silver, N. J., he having enlisted in the Signal Corps, U. S. A.

S. B. Moore et ux has sold to Theodore M. Hamilton a lot with the buildings thereon on the west side of Royal street, between Cameron and Queen.

A young man living in Fairfax county, was arrested yesterday for exceeding the speed limit with his automobile. He left $10 collateral, but failed to appear when the Police Court convened.

Among those in France who are receiving the Gazette regularly each week is Captain Wm. Halpin, of the Salvation Army, at present located in Paris. The paper is mailed in care of the American section of the Salvation Army.

Mrs. Annie V. Travers, wife of John J. Nugent, died at the Alexandria hospital this morning at 4:50. The body was removed to the home of Mrs. Thomas W. Nugent, 116 South Pitt street. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made. The deceased is survived by four children, Hollis, Eleanor, Dorothy and Courtney.

Mr. Courtland H. Davis, a graduate and bachelor of law of the Georgetown University law school, and who has passed the bar examinations for the District of Columbia and the state of Virginia, will locate for the practice of his profession in this city where he will be associated with Mr. Robinson Moncure in his office on South Royal street.

Officers were elected as follows at the annual meeting of the First Baptist Sunday school yesterday: S. W. Pitts, superintendent; James Foster, assistant superintendent; V. H. Peele, second assistant superintendent; Mrs. C. A. Howard, superintendent home department; Mrs. Edna Davis, superintendent cradle department; F. G. Saunders, secretary; Smith Chauncey, first assistant Superintendent; Uriel Clark, second assistant Superintendent; J. T. Preston, treasurer; Miss Helen Bowman and Miss B. Ayers, organists; Norman Lawler and Uriel Clark, choristers; George Nicholson and C. L. Nutt, violinists; W. Roy Winston, librarian; Dowell Mansfield and Miss Ethel Remington, first and second assistant librarians, respectively. The nominating committee was composed of Robert H. Cox, chairman; Thomas Chauncey, Elliott F. Hoffman, Miss Addie Owens and Mrs. Edgar Cornell.

CAN OF POWDER IN TENDER.

Found by Negro Fireman Just as he is About to Toss it Into Fire Box.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 17.—A ten-pound can of nitrate powder was discovered in the tender of the engine on passenger train No. 1, southbound limited of the Illinois Central Railroad, just as the negro fireman was about to toss the can into the fire box while the train was standing at the station here early Saturday.

The negro fireman was shoveling coal into the engine when he discovered the can of powder, which was blackened and battered so that in the dim light in the tender it resembled a lump of coal. The fireman noticed its peculiar shape and stopped to examine it.

The can was turned over to the authorities here and an investigation was begun.

The train, it was stated, had changed engines at Canton, Miss.

ITALIANS DRIVE FOES BACK.

Italians Effectively Bomb Austro-German Invaders.

Rome, Dec. 17.—Italian troops suddenly assumed the offensive against Austrians in the Piave delta sector and on armed motor boats and skiffs destroyed an enemy bridge, swept over some enemy positions and took many prisoners, today's official statement asserted. Friday evening the war office said the Italian forces in this section effectively bombed troops and their lines of communication.

In the Coldelaberetta region an Italian counter-attack repulsed an enemy advance. Around Monte Melino a Teuton attack on an observation post was repulsed.

Holly boxes, at Elliott's; 5 cents to 25 cents. 300-2t.

TO FORCE JUST PEACE

Wilson, it is Said, Will Address Himself Directly to the German Government and People.

Paris, Dec. 17.—That President Wilson gave to one of the intimates who was here recently with Colonel House the war aims of the United States is the declaration of On Dit, a weekly gossip paper here which carries what is purported to be an interview with the informant. The name of the American is not given.

"President Wilson told us before we embarked for Europe," said the informant: "When our armies are in force on the western front I will address myself directly to the German government and people and will say to them:

" 'You are going to accept a just peace, a peace which the free peoples desire. You will restore Belgium and the invaded districts of France as well as Serbia and Roumania. You will give back Alsace-Lorraine. You will give the guarantees which are demanded of you. We await your reply within forty-eight hours.

" 'If you say no, I will have a law voted by the Senate and House of Representatives forbidding German citizens and Germans naturalized since the month of August, 1914, to enter American territory for fifty years hence. Besides that, the sale of goods of German origin or bought from Germans will be forbidden in the territory of the United States.'"

WORK IN PROMISED LAND.

Zionist Leaders Take Steps for Nation in Palestine.

Baltimore, Dec., 17.—Two hundred leaders of the Zionist organization of the country launched at a convention here yesterday the great movement to realize Jewish national entity as a result of the recapture of Palestine from Turkey.

"A historic gathering," Nathan Straus, of New York, termed it amid cheers. It was the first concrete step toward the achievement of the national character taken by the Jews of the world and intimation was given during the meeting that a practical reoccupation of the Holy Land would be under way within a month or two.

A cable was received from London stating that physicians and nurses and medical units could go to Palestine within another month and it was informally announced that the American Jewish unit organized by the Hadassah, the women's Zionist organization of the country, is ready to begin work in Palestine at once.

The outlines of an international Jewish fund of $100,000,000 to make the Jewish reoccupation real and practical were given and within a few minutes $85,000 was raised toward an initial $1,000,000 of the international fund with which to begin the reassimilation of the "promised land."

Associate Justice Louis D. Brandeis, of the Supreme Court of the United States, appeared unexpectedly and extended his congratulations to the Zionists for the prospective realization of their dreams.

WING TEUTON AEROS.

Massachusetts Flier Breaks Legs in Fall at French School.

Paris, Dec. 17,—Leo Benoit, an aviator of Attleboro, Mass., fell with his machine Thursday while making a flight over the grounds at a French aviation school. Benoit's legs were broken. He was taken to a hospital, where he is reported to be resting comfortably.

Charles J. Biddle, of Andaluzia, Pa., and Phelps Collins, of Detroit, Mich., both members of the Lafayette flying squadron, have each brought down a German machine within the last week.

May Indict Means.

New York, Dec. 17.—Gaston B. Means, acquitted in Concord, N. C., of the charge of murdering Mrs. Maud A. King, wealthy widow, may be indicted in New York for alleged forgery and embezzlement.

District Attorney Swann said today he believed Mrs. King's will was forged and her funds embezzled. He will confer with Assistant District Attorney Dooling, who has been aiding in the prosecution of Means, before taking any action here.

20 per cent discount on Erector building model outfits. Elliott's. 300-3t.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY

Peace Move Inspired by German Government After Proposed Conference Fell Through.

Stockholm, Dec. 17. — Philip Scheidemann, leader of the German majority Socialists, is here today conferring with Bolsheviki Minister Orlovsky on peace between Germany and Russia.

"I am very sorry, but I cannot discuss the nature of my conference with M. Orlovsky," Scheidemann said today.

Orlovsky was equally reticent. From other sources, however, it was reported that Scheidemann had been clothed with full powers by the German government, which had directed the peace angling at Stockholm rather than at Brest Litovsk, because proceedings at the latter place were subject to full publicity to the Bolsheviki.

The Brest Litovsk conference of ministers, representing the armies of Germany and Russia, will presumably continue, irrespective of negotiations at Stockholm.

The Bolsheviki it was reported, first suggested the conference with Scheidemann at the Swedish city, in the belief they could line up Scheidemann's majority Socialists against German imperialism.

WAR SITUATION.

Secretary of War Baker's Weekly Review of Operations.

"No element in the military situation should lead us to conclude that the initiative in the west has passed from the allies to the enemy," says Secretary Baker in his weekly review of military operations, made public last night, and devoted largely to the German advertising of an impending great offensive.

"During the period of the review (week ending yesterday) the general military situation in the west has remained unchanged," the review says.

"Rumors of great preparations on the part of the Germans, with a view to achieving some major strategic success in the west, continue to reach us.

"The bold advertising of an imposing offensive on the part of the enemy, which is in the realm of possibility and, therefore, should not be neglected or overlooked, must in no wise be interpreted to mean that the increased strength of the hostile forces will result in any permanent strategic advantage to the Germans.

"In the outlying areas of Mesopotamia and Palestine the British have driven the enemy before them, and their offensive culminated during the week in the capture of Jerusalem. Germany realizes the danger attendant upon the waning of her influence in the East and will be more anxious than ever to conclude a speedy peace before the 'war map' becomes less favorable.

"The raiding of German towns in the interior, more especially the industrial centers of the Rhineland, by allied aircraft has been successfully initiated.

"Reports of observers recently out of Germany, who were present during previous air raids, state that these raids have had a very depressing effect on the civilian population.

"The armistice concluded by the Russians with the enemy now includes the entire Eastern front from the Baltic to the Black Sea. Negotiations are not proceeding smoothly. The German demands, as reported to us, specify, among other points, the immediate opening up of channels of commercial intercourse between Russia and Germany."

For The Children's Home.

Among those who will take part in the program to be given for the benefit of the Children's Home Monday night will be Misses Isabel Stearns, Geraldine Harvey, Emma Roach, Virginia Cross, Clara Roach, Estelle Murray, Hilda Schneider, Lucy Graves, Emma Hubbard, Mrs. Murphy, of San Francisco, Miss Thelma Crismond, of Washington, Mr. and Miss Schwab and Mr. Friedlander. Music will be furnished by Prof. Padgett for the dance which will be held after the concert. Tickets will be 25 cents each. They are now on sale at Warfield's drug store.

The entertainment is under the management of Mrs. Julian Duncan. 299-3t.

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APPROACH OF CHRISTMAS.

Christmas will be one week off tomorrow. While the coming anniversary of the birth of the Saviour is animating the younger generation, it is not anticipated with enthusiasm by their elders, who are facing serious problems. Since last Christmas the cloud of war has spread across the Atlantic Ocean and is now hovering over North America. It was hoped that our isolated situation would make us immune from the storms of the old world, but German savagery has brought war to our doors, and our country is again called to defend our liberties obtained after a seven-years' war over a century and a third ago.

Harold J. Shepstone, in the Wide World Magazine says: although much has been written upon the subject of Christmas in Bethlehem and we have have had glowing accounts of its gorgeous processions and ceremonies, no one appears to have been bold enough to tell the world of the distressing scenes which may be witnessed in the one spot on earth where man would expect peace to reign at this glad season of the year. Christmas is a long business at Bethlehem. First come the Latin ceremonies, which take place on December 25, followed thirteen days later by the Greek services, while thirteen days later comes the Armenian Christmas feast. The services are held in the Church of the Nativity, one of the most remarkable edifices in the world. The Holy of Holies of the church is the Grotto or Manger. It is a small underground chamber said to be the actual site of the stable where the Saviour was born. Just in front of the altar is a silver star, set into the marble floor, said to mark the exact spot of the Nativity. In the various ceremonies the bitterest rivalry exists between the various sects, and even during the ordinary services Turkish soldiers have to be on guard day and night in the church to prevent strife. On special occasions, such as Christmas-time, an extra force of soldiers is necessary if order is to be maintained. It is during Christmas festivities that the church is cleaned. To prevent quarrels among the rival priests, the authorities many years ago set down definite rules as to what portions of the walls, pillars, floors, etc., this or that body may clean or sweep. Despite these elaborate precautions, however, trouble often arises. During the Christmas festivities of 1913 a deplorable scene was witnessed in the sacred building. Two sects disputed the right to clean a certain portion of the church. They went to the governor of Bethlehem and he decided a certain sect possessed the right to do the work. When they started to sweep, however, the rival priests flew at them and soldiers had to hold one sect back while the other did the sweeping. The country now being in the hands of the British, a new regime will doubtless be in evidence this Christmas.

GOVERNOR'S WARNING.

During the past few months a number of Alexandrians have received circulars from parties in certain cities urging them to invest in stock in different companies. In some cases the parties were importunate in endeavoring to unload stock in this city, they suggesting that if those receiving the circulars could raise no more than two hundred dollars the dividends would prove surprising. One concern which had been sending circulars to parties in this city subsequently passed into bankruptcy.

So-called commercial spies are said to invest every city. They receive so much per hundred for names sent to the managers of certain enterprises. In some cases parties in this city who were merely earning a living were supposed by their correspondents to be men of means or with a surplus of money.

Governor Stuart has issued a warning in the shape of a proclamation to the people of Virginia, which all should read, and which we take pleasure in publishing. It follows:

Governor's Office, Richmond, Virginia, December 14, 1917.
To the People of Virginia:

In view of the active and aggressive campaign now being conducted in Virginia by irresponsible agents for the sale of worthless or questionable stock in various companies, I deem it my official duty to sound a note of warning and to call attention to the fact that Virginia is the victim of such agents largely because she is one of the few States that has not so far passed a law for the punishment of the class of offenders mentioned, and specific protection of investors against such unscrupulous undertakings. With good financial returns from the year's business, it is not surprising that many citizens are being urged by oily tongued and highly trained salesmen to invest in every conceivable scheme that can be devised to separate the people from their hard earned savings.

Heavy drafts have already been made not only upon accumulated surplus but in many cases on anticipated earnings.

In addition to considerations of prudence, I would suggest that while legitimate enterprises or industries, especially such as lend themselves to preparedness for war should be duly encouraged, it is none the less true that the immediate and future needs of our country are and will be such as to absorb on safe and reasonably profitable terms the great bulk of the unorganized surplus capital in our midst. Conservation should not be confined to food and fuel but should be extended to all our resources, including money.

HENRY C. STUART, Governor.

JERUSALEM OF TODAY.

(Cleveland Plain Dealer).

It is highly probable that General Allenby could have taken Jerusalem a month or more ago. He was within easy striking distance. The enemy was demoralized by the long succession of British victories. The defense of Jerusalem offered no serious obstacle to the British artillery.

But the Christian commander did not strike. Instead of proceeding in the usual way to attack without regard for the damage to be done he pursued the laborious course of completely surrounding the city and thus compelling its surrender.

The Jerusalem of today is a cesspool of filth, misery and disease; but it is the Holy City of three great religions. Its present wretchedness is the result of Turkish sloth and maladministration, and in no degree lessens its sanctity in the eyes of Jews, Christians and Mohammedans. A British bombardment of Jerusalem, even though demanded by reasons of military exigency, would have left a taint of sacrilege on Allenby's triumph.

The contrast between the British commander's forbearance and the wanton vandalism of the Germans in their treatment of sacred things is sufficiently striking. Partial destruction of Jerusalem by British artillery would have been, from a military standpoint, practically advantageous. The destruction of Rheims by the Germans has been mere needless brutality. It has been coolly devised as a shock to the religious and artistic sensibilities of the French people and of all the non-Prussianized world.

PASTOR'S PREDICTIONS.

Speaks in Washington Church on "The Crimes of Germany."

Rev. James L. Gordon, pastor of the First Congregational Church, made all sorts of predictions regarding the outcome of the war in his sermon last night on "The Crimes of Germany," based on revelations in note books of dead German soldiers.

He took as a text, Rev. 18:11, "After these things I saw another angel coming down out of heaven, having great authority; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, 'Babylon the great is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.'" After telling of the contents of German diaries he summed up his predictions in this fashion:

1. A revolution in Germany.
2. That if Germany reaches Rome or Jerusalem, she will ruin and devastate them both.
3. That the German army will become demoralized through drink and sensualism.
4. That all of Germany's intense hatred for England will be transferred to the United States.
5. That the war will become even more universal.
6. That before this war is over playhouses will be empty and on Sunday churches crowded.
7. An unnatural end for the Kaiser.

The "high spots" of diaries show that the German soldiers destroy and befoul everything; that every right thinking person must be filled with horror; when one sees the ravaged villages one can form some idea of the fury of German soldiers; "a spirit of pure vandalism exists; we drive people out of a village and then set it on fire;" "at every opportunity, on one pretext or another, we pillage and burn—may God have mercy on us;" "the little girl almost unnerved me, she was so innocent."

FIRE KILLS 3 SOLDIERS.

Men at Middletown Put Tar Paper Into Stove.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 17.—Three soldiers, members of the 113th aero squadron, U. S. signal corps, lost their lives when the guard house at Middletown, where the squadron is quartered, was destroyed by fire early yesterday. The dead are:

Private E. F. Gallagher, Munhall, Pa.

Private L. Wiley, Rockford, Ill.,

Private W. J. Kramer, Detroit, Mich.

Gallagher and Kramer were dead when other soldiers reached them. Wiley died later in the post hospital.

The three men, who were confined to the guard house for minor offenses, had put some tar paper in a small stove before they went to sleep and it is believed combustion followed. It is believed that the men were overcome by the fumes before the fire reached them.

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SECRET DIPLOMACY.

Vorwaerts Asks What Was to be Offered to England.

Amsterdam, Dec. 17.—The Berlin socialist paper Vorwaerts, commenting on the alleged attempts to open preliminary peace discussions between Great Britain and Germany, demands that the government tell the German people what it intended to communicate to Great Britain.

Attacking secret diplomacy, the paper suggests that both governments are afraid to take the initiative, lest it be considered a sign of hidden weakness.

"When will it be realized," the paper asks, "that it is a great honor, instead of a disgrace, to strive with the enemy for a means for reconciliation with freedom and self-respect to end this insane human slaughter?"

The Frankfurter Zeitung says: "Balfour did not say whether Britain was still willing to discuss the question, but there is no apparent reason why there should be a change. It is worth something that Britain formally declares her readiness for such discussion."

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CONSUMERS OF COAL

At the direction of the Fuel Administrator for Virginia, an order has been issued to the retail dealers of coal in this city and county, not to deliver coal to household consumers, in quantities in excess of two tons and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is two tons or less. This will make the maximum quantity of four tons at any one time. To larger consumers, deliveries are not to be made in quantities greater than the actual needs of the consumers for fifteen days, and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is less than their requirements for fifteen days. This will make the maximum quantity held by larger consumers at any one time, only sufficient for their actual needs for thirty days or less. Industries buying coal in carload lots must obtain special permit from the Fuel Administrator.

To make this order effective, and to relieve the dealer of the responsibility and difficulty of ascertaining the supply any consumer has on hand, it is arranged that an affidavit be furnished by the purchasers of coal in excess of one-half ton (this affidavit can be made by any member of the family over sixteen years of age.) These forms for making the affidavits will be in the hands of the dealers, and notaries and the affidavits will be taken without charge, by any one of the following notaries public, who have offered their services to aid the Commission in this work: Miss Gladys M. Brooks, room 1, Alexandria National bank building; W. C. Drury, 107 south Royal street; J. T. Burke, Burke and Herbert; Miss Cora Duffey, Office, Clerk of Court; Courtland H. Davis, 121 South Royal street; Claude H. Crump, 1301 King street; M. L. Dinwiddie, Citizens National Bank; J. J. Green, First National Bank; E. J. Fleming, 119 south Fairfax street; A. C. Morse, Alexandria National Bank.

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NEWS OF THE DAY

Secretary of War Baker, in his weekly review, says there is nothing except German boasts to indicate that the initiative in the West has passed from the entente to the Teuton. For two years, Secretary Baker says, the Germans have been on the defensive on the West front. For six months the allies have been on the offensive on all fronts. The Germans have secured the initiative only in the Eastern and Italian theaters of war.

Eleven to fifteen miners are known to have been killed Saturday night by an explosion in the mine of the Yukon-Pocahontas Coal Company, at Susanna, twenty miles west of Bluefield, W. Va., in McDowell county. The bodies of eleven men have been taken from the mine, and exploring parties are searching for other possible explosion victims. The cause of the explosion has not been determined. The mine is located along what is known as the Dry Fork branch of the Norfolk and Western railroad. The explosion is the first to occur in that section of the Pocahontas coal field in a number of years.

As the consequence of a four-hour revolver fight starting at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, between 125 policemen and a score of drunken negroes, who barricaded themselves in "William Baby Doll," Thomas' cabaret and gambling house in Bridgeport, Conn., crowded with merry-making white girls, white men, negresses and negroes, six persons, were shot, two suffering fatal injuries, and 123 prisoners were taken. The besieged building was wrecked, the fire department was called out to assist the police, and hundreds of curious spectators struggled with the reserves to get within the danger zone, better to view the battle.

Gaston B. Means was by his fireside in Concord, N. C., playing with his 1-year-old baby yesterday. As church bells summoned worshippers Means walked out into the Sabbath day, freed of the charge of murdering Mrs. Maude A. King.

The Maryland pilotboat Pilot, while caught in a submarine guard net off an Atlantic port, was rammed and sunk by the steamer Berkshire, of the Merchant and Miners' Transportation Company. No lives were lost. The Berkshire was only slightly damaged.

The Rev. John Edgecombe, 86 years old, for 25 years rector of Christ Episcopal Church at Cranford, N. J., died of heart disease in his pulpit yesterday morning as he was appealing to the congregation for aid to the parish poor. He fell to the floor just as he had pronounced the words, "Remember the little children." Death came as the clergyman had often said he wished—while he was "in harness."

Two disasters in widely separated parts of Germany are reported in Zurich dispatches. An explosion occurred in the Zeppelin works at Friedrichshaven, and resulted in the death or injury of many. The second explosion occurred near Kiel, destroying a factory where bombs were prepared for Zeppelins and airplanes. Many of the employes in this plant were killed.

The United States government through Ambassador Fletcher has made formal denial to the Mexican foreign office of current reports that America proposes to intervene in Tampico. Mexico has been formally assured that America has no intention whatever to interfere in Mexico's internal affairs.

FIRE IN NORFOLK.

Officials Suspect Incendiary—U. S. Custom House Threatened

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 17.—The plant of the British-American Tobacco Company, composed of two six-story buildings, on Water street, was wiped out by fire early yesterday evening. The loss will be at least $500,000.

The fire originated on the second floor of the new building, facing Water street, and quickly spread to the old structure in the rear. The new building was completely gutted. An immense stock of tobacco and several floors of cigarette machinery were destroyed.

Several explosions of bay rum early after the discovery of the fire caused the flames to spread rapidly. At one time it looked as if the United States custom house would go, and a guard of marines was thrown about the structure by request of officials.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. Fire department officials declare it was probably the work of an incendiary. The entire plant was used for the manufacture of cigarettes for exportation to England and France. Three hundred and fifty persons will be thrown out of employment.

Die of Exposure.

An Atlantic Port, Dec. 17.—Six of the crew of eleven rescued by a French liner from the British schooner Inga Wednesday off the New England coast, died before the liner reached port here Saturday. Death resulted from exposure. The schooner was in a sinking condition when the men were rescued. The liner attempted to save the vessel by towing her to port, but the hawsers snapped and she had to be abandoned.

Aboard the liner were members of the Serbian war commission, headed by Captain S. Miloulinovritch. They started for Washington immediately after landing.

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Men's Umbrellas, Silk, selected wood and horn handles, Silver mounted, $6.00 to $15.00.

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GRAFT AMONG TEUTONS.

Army Scandal Revealed in Papers Found on Prisoners.

With the French Armies, Dec. 17.—Scandal in the German army is revealed in official documents taken from recently captured prisoners, showing that the occasional munition crisis and shortages from which Germany is known to suffer are in part due to the munitions wasted and stolen and demonstrating the seriousness of the metal shortage which Germany is at all times facing. In order that not a single ounce of metal be wasted, premiums were offered by the minister of war to the soldiers for returning all used cartridges, shells and bits of metal with which every battlefield is covered.

Premiums offered were so attractive that the soldiers hit upon the idea of taking the shells, cartridges and munitions served them, mutilating or otherwise destroying them, and then returning the broken bits as so much metal picked up in the trenches and on the battlefields. Full details of the graft and scandal are contained in an official circular of the German minister of war, which reads as follows:

"It has come to the knowledge of the ministry of war that on many occasions the military authorities charged with the supplying of munitions have not delieverd integrally to the respective units the quantities received at the shipping depot, but have had recourse to various expedients in order to assure for themselves the premium offered for the salvage of munitions. Cases of cartridges have been broken open, the balls torn out the powder burned and the empty cartridges returned as having been found and burned by the troops.

"Bands about certain projectiles that were perfectly usable, have been torn off, and the copper bands and fuses returned as having been found by the troops. Other projectiles thoroughly intact have been thrown away in order to permit accomplices to find them and return them for the recompense given for the salvage of munitions. Copies of this circular furnished to troops at the front must be destroyed immediately after being read." Because this last paragraph was not obeyed a number of these circulars have come into the hands of the French military authorities from prisoners.

DESERTER GETS 20 YEARS.

Hard Labor, Dishonorable Discharge And Forfeiture of Pay Imposed on Private.

Camp Meade, Md., Dec. 17.—A sentence of twenty years' imprisonment at hard labor, dishonorable discharge from the army and forfeiture of pay was yesterday imposed upon Private Lawrence W. Trefenphen, of the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Depot Brigade, charged with desertion.

Trefenphen was absent from October 1 to October 27, when he was arrested at Staunton, Va.

AUTO SKIDS ON MOUNTAIN

Congressman Tinkham Has Narrow Escape While on Visit to Monte Grappa.

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Dec. 17.—An army automobile in which Congressman George H. Tinkham, of Boston, was riding Friday on a visit to Monte Grappa on the northern mountain front skidded over the mountain side and dropped twenty feet. It made a double turn and was crushed to pieces, but the Congressman and the other occupants escaped with bruises, the chauffeur being seriously injured.

Congressman Tinkham, who fired the first American shot against Austria, received slight injuries, and was cared for by a military surgeon.

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LEGAL NOTICES

In the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.

Mattie Wood, vs. Henry Wood, In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made as required by law, that the Defendant is not a resident of the state of Virginia, and that he cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the Sergeant having made a return on the process or summons issued herein that the defendant is a non-resident of this bailiwick, and upon application having been made to the Clerk of this Court for an order of publication against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to institution of this suit and an order of publication having been duly granted by the Clerk of this Court, it is therefore adjudged ordered and decreed that the said Defendant do appear here within fifteen days after due publication hereof to make answer to the suit of the complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce, on the ground of wilful desertion and abandonment, and to do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, Va., and that a copy be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of the Court to the last place of residence and abode of the Defendant, to-wit: 108 Center Ave., Atlantic City, New Jersey, as stated in the application for this order of publication which shall be certified by the Clerk, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Court-house of said City on or before the next Rule day of this Court.

Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
E. Corgan, P. Q.
290-4w.

In the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.

Irene K. Baker, vs. Albert K. Baker, In Chancery.

Upon the written application of the Complainant stating specifically the last known place of abode of the defendant, and it appearing to the Court that process has been issued and returned by the Sergeant of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, showing that the defendant was not found within the jurisdiction of this Court, the following order of publication is granted this 3rd day of December, 1917.

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii for the Complainant from the Defendant on the ground of desertion for a period of more than three years, and an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Albert K. Baker is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear within fifteen days after due publication of said order of publication, and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit.

And it is further ordered that a copy of said order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Court House of the Corporation Court of said City on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order is entered; and that a copy of said order of publication shall be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this court, addressed to the said non-resident defendant at 111 B street, Southeast, Washington, D. C., her last known place of abode.

Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
H. Noel Garner, P. Q. 290-4w

At a Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Courthouse of said City on Friday, November 16th, 1917.

Present, Hon. J. B. T. Thornton, Judge.

James P. Bingham, Complainant, vs. Jennie Tyler Bingham, defendant In Chancery.

On the written application of the complainant, made and filed in accordance with the statute, together with the affidavits of the defendant's non-residence, the affidavit stating the last known place of address of the defendant, and it appearing from the return of Sergeant that said defendant is not a resident of the city of Alexandria, State of Virginia, and not within the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court for the City of Alexandria, the Court doth on the 16th day of November, 1917, enter the following order of publication against the said defendant.

MEMO—The object of this suit is to obtain for the complainant an absolute divorce from the defendant on the ground of wilful desertion and abandonment.

It is further ordered and decreed that the said defendant do appear within fifteen days after due publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect her interest in this suit; that a copy of this order of publication be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia; that a copy of said order of publication be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this Court on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order is entered; and that a copy of the same be mailed to the last known place of address of the defendant, 36 Eye Street Northwest, Washington, D. C., by the Clerk of this Court.

Edmund Hill, Jr., P. Q.
A Copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
283-4w.

IN THE CORPORATION COURT OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

Anna May Salmononsky, vs. Louis M. Salmononsky.

Upon the application of the Plaintiff stating specifically the last known place of abode of the Defendant, and that the Defendant is not a resident of this state, the Court, on this 28th day of November, 1917, doth grant the following order of publication:

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree absolutely and entirely divorcing the Complainant from the Defendant on the grounds of wilful desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit. An affidavit having been filed that Louis M. Salmononsky is not a resident of the State of Virginia, and for the custody of the infant child, Emile F. Salmononsky.

It is ordered that he do appear within fifteen days after due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit. That a copy of this order of publication be forwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, once a week for four successive weeks, and a copy posted at the front door of the courthouse of this City on or before the next succeeding rule day of the Corporation Court after this order is entered. That a copy of this publication shall be sent by registered mail by the clerk of this court addressed to the said Louis M. Salmononsky at 205 Eye street, S. E., Washington, D. C., the last known place of abode and residence of the Defendant.

A Copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
Samuel G. Brent, P. Q. 285-4w.

Commonwealth of Virginia, In the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, on the 28th day of November, 1917.

T. J. Anderson, Complainant, vs. Hattie P. E. Anderson, Defendant. In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made, as required by law, that the defendant is a non-resident of the state of Virginia, and that she cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the Sergeant having made a return upon the original process or summons issued herein that the defendant is a non-resident of his bailiwick, and application having been duly made in writing to the Clerk for an order of publication against the said defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery filed by the Complainant against the Defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit and an order of publication having been granted by the Clerk, it is therefore ordered that said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit and to do what may be necessary to protect her interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria City, Virginia, and that a copy of this order be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant to-wit: No. 1008 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., as stated in the application for this order of publication which shall be certified by the Clerk of this court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this court on or before the next rule day of this Court.

Robinson Mancure, P. Q.
A Copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
286-4w.

At a Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria, continued and held at the Courthouse of said City on Friday, November 23rd, 1917.

Present, Hon. Louis C. Barley, Judge.

(Martin) Luther Sherman, Complainant, vs. Estelle Dye Sherman, defendant. In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made, as required by law, that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that she cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the Sergeant having made a return upon the original process or summons issued herein that the defendant is a non-resident of his bailiwick, and application having been duly made in writing to the Clerk of this Court for an order of publication against the said defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery filed by the complainant against the defendant for a divorce a mensa et thoro on the ground of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than one year prior to the institution of this suit and that at the expiration of the statutory period said divorce be made absolute, and an order of publication having been duly granted by the Clerk of this Court, it is therefor ordered that said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for a divorce a mensa et thoro on the ground of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than one year prior to the institution of this suit, and said divorce to be made absolute upon the expiration of the statutory period. It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria City, Virginia, and that a copy of this order be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant, to-wit: Washington, D. C., as stated in the application for this order of publication which shall be certified by the Clerk of this Court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this Court on or before the next rule day of this court.

Wm. P. Woolls, P. Q.
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SPECIAL NOTICES

Notice Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the District of Columbia Paper Manufacturing Company will be held at it's principal office, 111 south Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday, January 21, 1918, between the hours of twelve and one o'clock p. m. for the election of officers and the transaction of any other business that may come properly before said meeting.

A. B. Tolson, Ass't Treasurer.
Dec. 13-20-27. Jan 3.

To the Stockholders of the Rosney Iron and Lumber Company, Limited:

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rosney Iron and Lumber Company, Limited will be held in the law office of J. K. M. Norton, esq., at No. 128 south Fairfax street, in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, on the 14th day of January, 1918, between the hours of one and two o'clock p. m., for the election of two directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Witness my hand at Westminster, Md., this 13th day of December, 1917.

Ralph S Reifsnider, Secretary.
298-19t

Notice.

The Alexandria Medical Society announces that on and after Jan. 1 1918, the following fees will be the minimum charges made by its members:

Office visits $1.00 to $10.00; house visits $2.00; night visits $5.00; Consultations $5.00; obstetrics $25.00, extra for each mile beyond city limits $1.00
297-10t

Notice.

Having qualified as executrix of the estate Mrs. Louisa M. Pullin, I desire to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present same for settlement. All owing said estate are requested to make prompt settlement.

Miss Ola Pullin, Executrix.
297-10t

Stockholders Meeting of the American Rutile Company of Virginia.

The annual Meeting of the stockholders of the American Rutile Co., will be held at the office of the company, No. 111 south Fairfax street, Alexandria ,Virginia, on Monday, the 7th, of January, 1918, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock p. m., for the election of directors, and for the transaction of such other business as can be lawfully considered. The transfer books will be closed for 10 days prior to the 7th day of January.

W. M. Slater, President.
Albert Harper, Sec. and Treas
296-12t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Iowa Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business will be held at the office of the company No. 107 north Fairfax street, in the City of Alexandria State of Virginia, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Charles D. Walcott, President.
A M McLachlen, Secretary.
295-12t

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ontario Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business of the Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 107 north Fairfax street, in the City of Alexandria, State of Virginia on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918 at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

Charles D Walcott, President.
A. M. McLachlen, Secretary.
295-12t,

Notice Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the McLachlen Banking Corporation for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business will be held at the office of the Company No. 107 North Fairfax street, in the city of Alexandria, State of Virginia, on Tuesday January 8th, 1918, at 11 o'clock a. m.

A. M. McLachlen President.
John A. Massie, Treasurer.
295-12t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Alexandria National Bank
Alexandria, Va., Dec. 8, 1917.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House of said Bank, on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M to 1 p. m.

J. L. PERRY, Cashier.
295-25t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Citizens National Bank,
Alexandria, Va.,
Dec. 8th, 1917

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

Richard M. Green, Cashier.
294-25t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

December 8, 1917.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Alexandria, Va., will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the election of directors and transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier
295-25t.

William S. Hart

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N. B.—Following schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed.

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1:27 a. m., Daily—Memphis Special. Sleeping cars and coaches for Lynchburg, Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville, Memphis. Washington sleeping cars open after 10:00 p. m. Dining car.

7.37 a. m., Local to Danville.

7:47 a. m., Daily—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

9:17 a. m., Daily—U. S. fast mail. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans. Seeping car Salisbury to Asheville. Dining car.

9.37 a. m., Daily-Manassas Orange and Charlottesville and limited beyond to Atlanta. Coaches only.

4:02 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

4:22 p. m., Daily—Local to Charlottesville. Parlor car to Warrenton, daily except Sunday.

5:12 p. m., Daily—Birmingham Special. Coaches and sleeping cars to Atlanta and Birmingham. Dining car. Daily tourist car to California.

5:22 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local for Warrenton.

7:17 p. m., Daily—Augusta Special. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Sleeping cars to Asheville Dining car.

10:02 p. m., Daily—Washington & Chattanooga Limited. (Via Lynchburg). Coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga. New Orleans. Dining car.

11:02 p. m. Daily—New York & New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to Atlanta and New Orleans. Sleeping car to Macon. Dining car.

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A. M.—5 00, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 6 55, 7 10, 7 20, 7 30, 7 40, 7 50, 8 00, 8 10, 8 20, 8 40, 9 00, 9 20, 9 40; 10 00, 10 20, 10 40, 11 00, 11 20, 11 40, Noon 12 00

P. M.—12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40; 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40, 5 00, 5 20, 5 40, 6 00, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 35, 8 00, 8 30, 9 00, 9 30, 10 00, 10 30, 11 10, 11 55

Sunday and Holidays, same as above except trains at 5 00, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 7 10, 7 30, 7 50, and 8 10 A. M and 11 55 P. M.

Leave Alexandria For Mt. Vernon.

A M.—Week Days—5 35, 6 55, 7 55, 8 55, 10 30, 11 30.—P. M.—12 30, 1 30, 2 30, 3 30, 4 30, 5 35, 6 40, 7 35, 8 32, 10 20, 11 50.

Sunday as above except 8 30 and 9 55 A. M. and 11 50 P M

Washington Southern Ry.

Schedule in effect July 2, 1917.

For Washington and points north daily 8:08, 8:23, 8:33, 10.38, 10:45 a. m. 12:01, 1:28, 2:30, (through train for New York, via P. R. R.) 5:14, 5.53, 8:28, 11:33 p. m.

Saturdays only, 1:45 p. m., and Sundays only 8:08 p. m

For Fredericksburg, Richmond and points south at 4:37, 7:52 (local) and 9:47, a m 12:16, 3:22, 3:32, 6:17 (local) 7:02, 9:47 p. m. daily.

Accommodation for Quantico at 11:18 a. m. daily and 2:15 p. m. Saturdays. Night train leaves 11:30 p. m. daily for stations Lorton to Fredericksburg inclusive.

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